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Chris,

We have been discussing with Joe Balash overreach by federal land managers (FLM's) from BLM, USFWS, NPS, and USFS expanded application of stringent air quality oversight to protect certain federal lands in Alaska. The attached white paper lays out the issues and the identifies the policies and MOU's that the FLM's point to as justification. We have asked Joe and the Secretary's office to review the DOI policies and the MOU that was established between USDO, USDA, and EPA that outlines air quality analyses and mitigations for federal oil and gas decisions through the NEPA process. AGDC and Alaska DEC believe that the expansion of the air quality oversight from Class 1 federal lands to Sensitive Class 2 lands is unwarranted.

We would like the chance to discuss this issue over the couple of days. Co-incidentally, Joe will be in Seattle tomorrow and Friday and offered to come to your office if you are available. Please let us know if you have time to discuss.

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